

BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE	:	
DECISION TO APPROVE A MINING AND	:	NOTICE OF TENTATIVE
RECLAMATION PLAN FOR UTAH	:	DECISION TO APPROVE
BUILDING STONE SUPPLY'S GROUSE	:	NO. M/003/031
CREEK PROJECT, COUNTY, UTAH	:	

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTIONS 34 AND 35, TOWNSHIP 13 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST AND SECTIONS 2, 3, 4, 10 AND 11, TOWNSHIP 12 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, SLBM, BOX ELDER COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve Utah Building Stone Supply's Mining and Reclamation Plan for their Grouse Creek project. Mining activities will effect portions of the following areas: Sections 34 and 35, Township 13 North, Range 17 West and Sections 2, 3, 4, 10 and 11, Township 12 North, Range 17 West, SLBM, SLBM, Box Elder County, Utah.

The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 106.8 acres of federal, state and private land.

During Operations: This is an existing small mining operation that is expanding to a large mining category. Rock will be periodically removed from a series of natural talus slopes with a front-end loader or by hand and loaded onto trucks. Over time, it is anticipated that mining activities will eventually remove about three to four feet of surface rock from the talus areas. Rock will be transported to the process/loadout area where it will be sorted, graded, and placed on pallets for final shipping. Six to eight inches of topsoil will be salvaged and stockpiled from the process/loadout area for use in reclamation of the site. Approximately 3.1 acres of road were ripped and seeded during the fall of 1997. An additional seven acres of road reclamation is scheduled for the 1998 season.

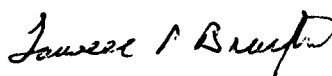
After Operations: All rock material and associated mining related debris/trash will be removed from the process/grading area, topsoil will be respread over the affected area and the site seeded. An additional 1.5 acres of access road will be reclaimed by ripping and seeding. Approximately 12.6 acres of disturbed area will receive reclamation treatments. Under the proposed operations, no reclamation will be needed for the natural existing talus slopes (72 acres) or for roads approved for postmining public and private access (22.2 acres).

The person representing the company is Mr. William Bown; Phone (801) 295-0601. Utah Building Stone Supply is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. §40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED THIS 14th day of January, 1998

STATE OF UTAH
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING



Lowell P. Braxton
Director

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Tentative Approval for Utah Building Stone Supply's Grouse Creek project (M/003/031) to be sent by facsimile or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, the 16th day of January, 1998 to:

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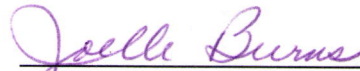
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